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the smart card into a secure collection box. The voting machine memory as well as both the printed receipt and the encoded information stored in the smart card include the same voting session identifier which is a serial number as issued by the voting machine or a randomly generated unique identifying serial number generated from a defined set that is associated with the particular voting record if absolute privacy is preferred. The voting session identifier or serial number may include identification of state, county, precinct, or other appropriate political sub-division (e.g., the "08-012-035-02" identifying a polling location illustrated), along with the random portion of the session identifier or serial number assigned to assure privacy (e.g., the "XXXXXXXXXX" and the "YYYYYYYYYY" randomly generated numbers illustrated), such as is illustrated in FIGURE 2A. The time and/or date of voting may also be optionally recorded on the printed receipt and in the voting record stored in the voting machine, the smart card, or both, for future inspection and/or verification.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Rewrite claims 2, 44 and 74 as follows:

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2. (Amended) The voting apparatus of claim 1 wherein said display includes one of a cathode ray tube, a computer display, an LCD display, a display screen, a touch screen display, a Braille device, an aural device, and illuminated buttons.
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44. (Amended) A method for voting comprising:
- initiating a voting session;
 - providing an identifier for the voting session;
 - creating a voting record including the voting session identifier and voting selections made during the voting session;
 - storing the voting record including the voting session identifier and the voting selections in a memory; and
 - storing the voting record including the voting session identifier and the voting selections in a tangible medium separate from the memory.